Form **8901**

Information on Qualifying Children Who Are Not Dependents

(For Child Tax Credit)



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Complete and attach to Form 1040A or Form 1040.

Name(s) shown on return

Your social security number



- Do not use this form for any child who is claimed as your dependent on Form 1040A or Form 1040, line 6c.
- It will take us longer to process your return and issue your refund if you do not complete all columns for each qualifying child.
- Be sure the child's name and social security number (SSN) agree with the child's social security card. Otherwise, at the time we process your return, we may reduce or disallow your child tax credit. If the name or SSN on the child's social security card is not correct, call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213.

Qualifying Child Information

	(a) First name	Last name	(b) Child's social security number	(c) Child's relationship to you (son, daughter, etc.)
Child 1				
Child 2				
Child 3				
Child 4				

General Instructions Purpose of Form

Use Form 8901 to give the IRS information on any qualifying child (defined on back) who is not your dependent. To figure the amount of your child tax credit, see the instructions for Form 1040A, line 33, or Form 1040, line 52.

Who Must File

Use Form 8901 if your qualifying child is not your dependent because either of the following applies.

- You, or your spouse if filing jointly, can be claimed as a dependent on someone else's 2005 return.
- Your qualifying child is married and files a joint return for 2005 (unless that joint return is filed only as a claim for a refund and no tax liability would exist for either spouse if they had filed separate returns).

Specific Instructions

Column (b)

If your child was born and died in 2005 and you do not have an SSN for the child, you can attach a copy of the child's birth certificate instead and enter "Died" in column (b).

If you do not have an SSN for your adopted child, enter "See page 2" in column (b). Then, on the bottom of page 2, enter the name and address of any agency or agent (such as an attorney) that assisted in the adoption.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax.

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The average time and expenses required to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. For the estimated averages, see the instructions for your income tax return.

If you have suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for your income tax return.

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Qualifying Child for Child Tax Credit

A qualifying child is a child who is your . . .

Son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them (for example, your grandchild, niece, or nephew)



was . . .

Under age 17 at the end of 2005



who . . .

Did not provide over half of his or her own support for 2005 (see Pub. 501)



who . . .

Lived with you for more than half of 2005. If the child did not live with you for the required time, see *Exception to time lived with you* on page 23 of the Form 1040A instructions or page 21 of the Form 1040 instructions.



who...

Was a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or a resident of the United States. If the child was adopted, see *Exception to citizen test* on page 23 of the Form 1040A instructions or page 21 of the Form 1040 instructions.



For more information, including definitions and special rules relating to an adopted child, foster child, and qualifying child of more than one person, see the instructions for Form 1040A or Form 1040, line 6c.